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A LETTER OF CLARIFICATION OF ARTICLE 19 & 34 AMENDMENTS

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

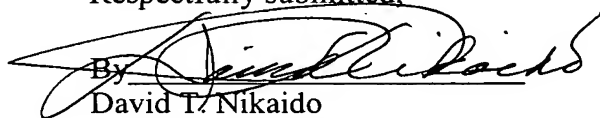
To assist the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in interpreting the English Translation of the Article 19 and 34 Amendments, the following represents the Article 34 Amendment as it applies to the English language specification and as the English language Translation of the Article 34 Amendment applies to the Japanese language specification.

REMARKS

This Letter essentially restates the Articles 19 and 34 Amendments as it would apply to the English language specification. The Articles 19 and 34 Amendments have been applied to and original claims 1 and 6. Original claims 2 and 5 were cancelled. To show the changes made to the claims, copies of (1) Original Claims "A", (2) Article 19 Amendment "B" and (3) Article 34 Amendment "C" are enclosed for convenience of understanding. Accordingly, claims 1, 3, 4 and 6 are presented for examination on the merits.

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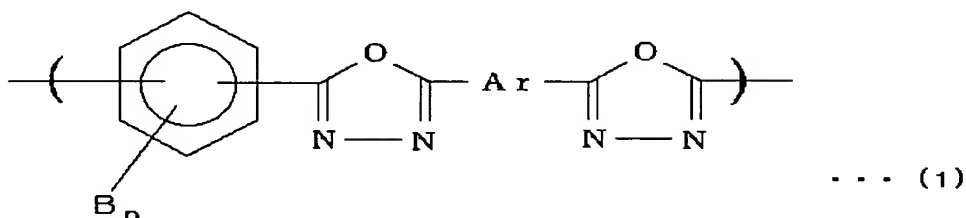
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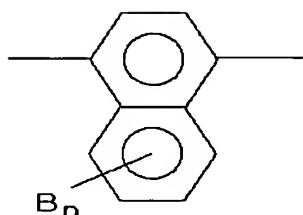
ORIGINAL CLAIMS

1. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (1):



wherein Ar is a group represented by one of formulas (2)-(5); B is $-Y-Ar^1$, $-Y-R$, or a hydrogen atom, wherein Y is a single bond or $-O-$, Ar^1 is a group represented by formula (6), and R is an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; and n denotes an integer from 1 to 4, wherein Bs may be the same or different from each other when n is 2, 3, or 4; at least one of the Bs in formula (1) is $-Y-Ar^1$ or $-Y-R$ when B or Bs in formula (2), (3), (4) or (5) are a hydrogen atom or hydrogen atoms; and at least one of the Bs in the group represented by any one of formulas (2)-(5) must be $-Y-Ar^1$ or $-Y-R$ when B or Bs bonded to the benzene ring in formula (1) are a hydrogen atom or hydrogen atoms,

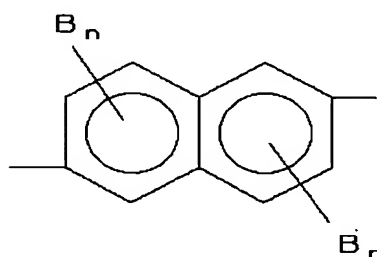
wherein the group represented by formula (2) is:



... (2)

wherein B in formula (2) is the same as that defined above;
n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and when n is 2, 3, or 4,
Bs may be the same or different from each other;

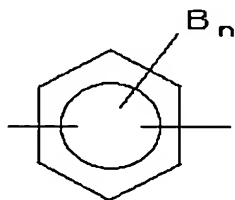
the group represented by the formula (3) is:



... (3)

herein each of the Bs in formula (3) is the same as that
defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 3, and Bs may
be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (4) is:

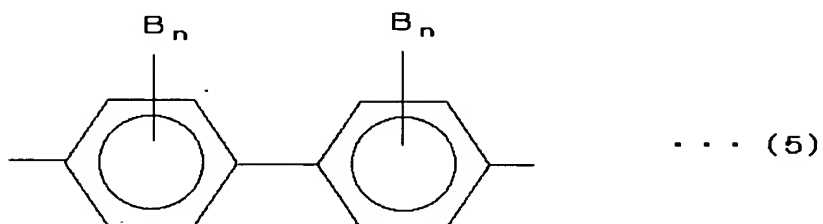


... (4)

wherein B in formula (4) means the same as that defined

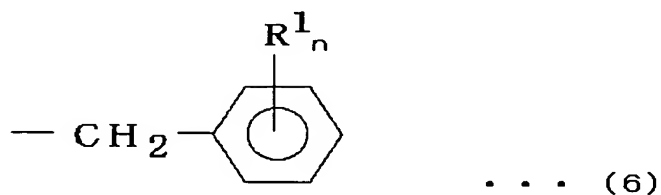
above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and when n is 2, 3, or 4, B_s may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (5) is:



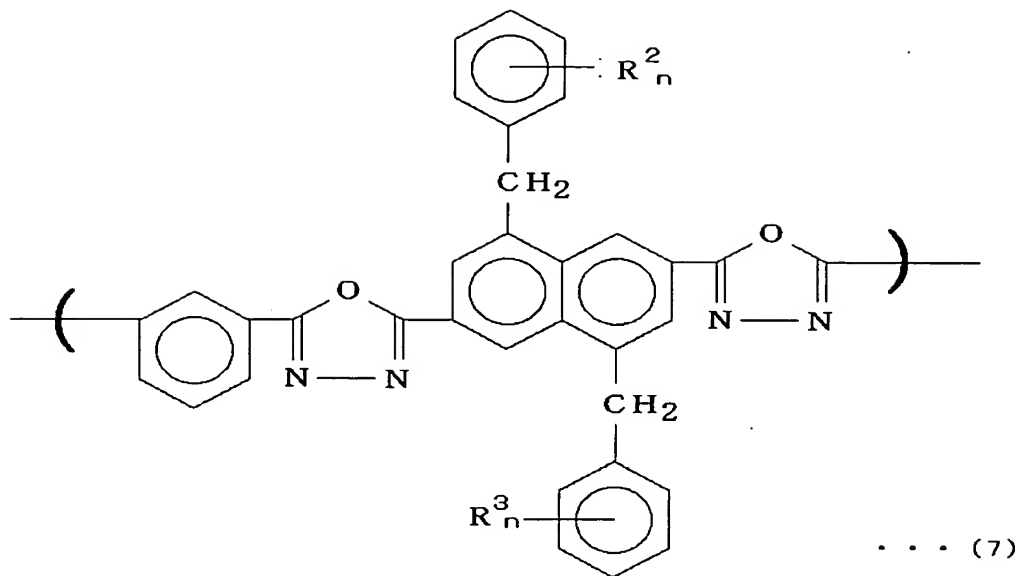
wherein each of the B_s is the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and B_s may be the same or different from each other; and

the group represented by the formula (6) is:



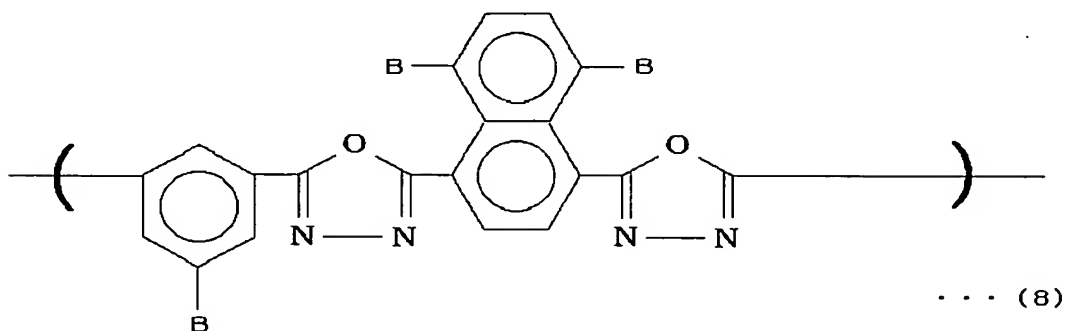
wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group, and n denotes an integer of 1 to 5.

2. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (7):



wherein each of R^2 and R^3 is an alkyl group; n denotes an integer of 1-5; when n is 2, 3, 4 or 5, R^2 's may be the same or different from each other and R^3 's may be the same or different from each other; and R^2 (s) and R^3 (s) may be the same or different from each other.

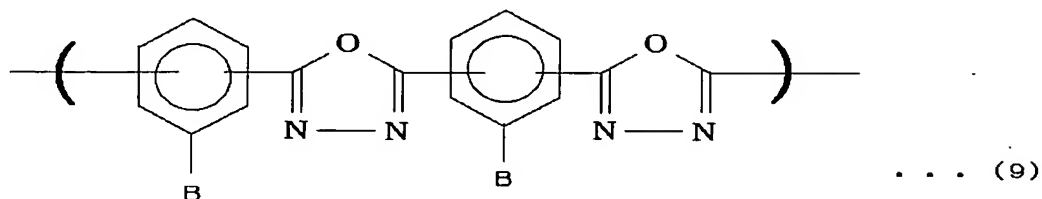
3. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (8):



wherein each of the Bs in formula (8) means the same as that defined in claim 1; and at least one of the three Bs

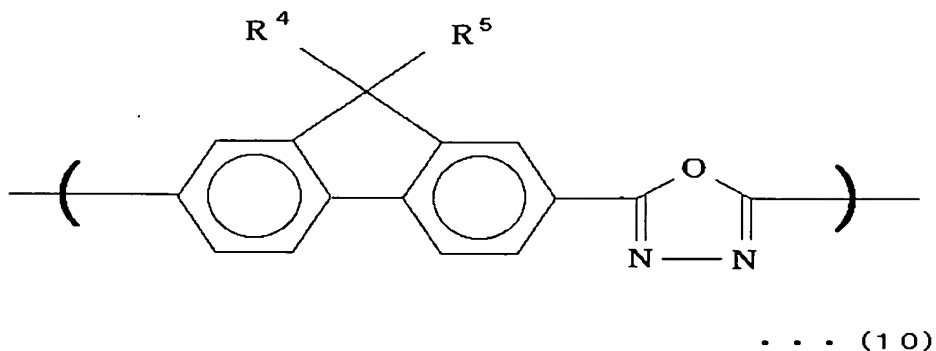
is $-Y-Ar^1$ or $-Y-R$, wherein Y , Ar^1 and R are the same as those defined in claim 1.

4. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (9):



wherein each B in formula (9) is the same as that defined in claim 1, and at least one of the two B s is $-Y-Ar^1$ or $-Y-R$.

5. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (10):



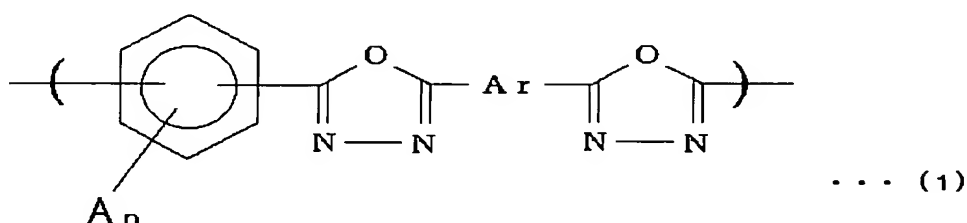
wherein each of R^4 and R^5 is an alkyl group, and R^4 and R^5 may be the same or different from each other.

6. A luminescent element comprising a pair of electrodes and a film of the luminescent polymer according to any one of claims 1-5 between the electrodes.

B

TRANSLATION OF AMENDMENT UNDER ARTICLE 19 PCT

1. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (1):



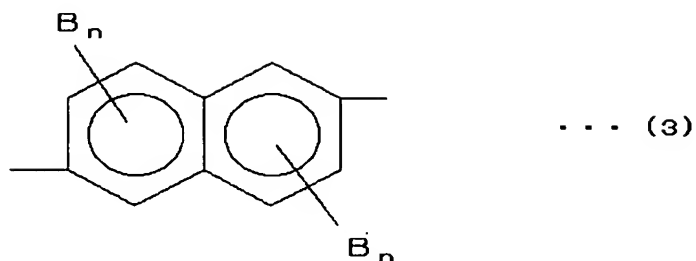
wherein Ar is a group represented by one of formulas (2) - (5);
A is -O-Ar¹, or -O-R, wherein Ar¹ is a group represented by formula (6), and R is an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; and n denotes an integer from 1 to 4, wherein A_s may be the same or different from each other when n is 2, 3, or 4;

wherein the group represented by formula (2) is:



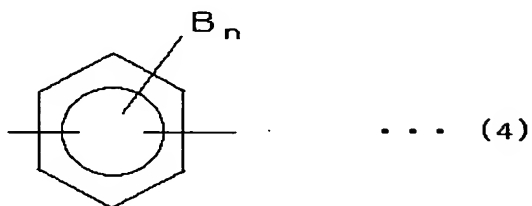
wherein B is -Y-Ar¹, -Y-R, or a hydrogen atom, wherein Y is a single bond or -O-, and Ar¹ and R are the same as those defined above; n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and when n is 2, 3, or 4, B_s may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (3) is:



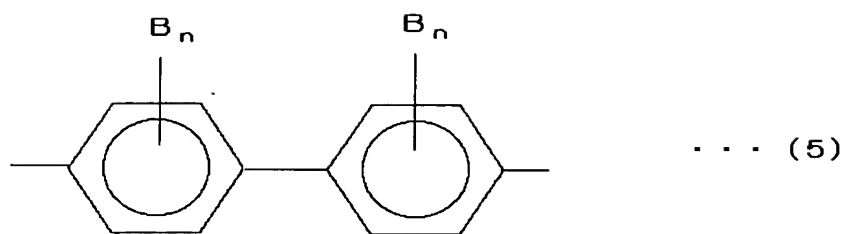
wherein each of the Bs in formula (3) is the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 3, and Bs may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (4) is:



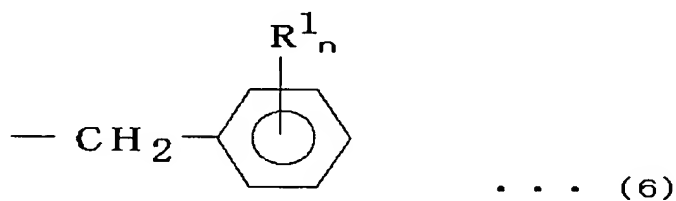
wherein B in formula (4) means the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and when n is 2, 3, or 4, Bs may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (5) is:



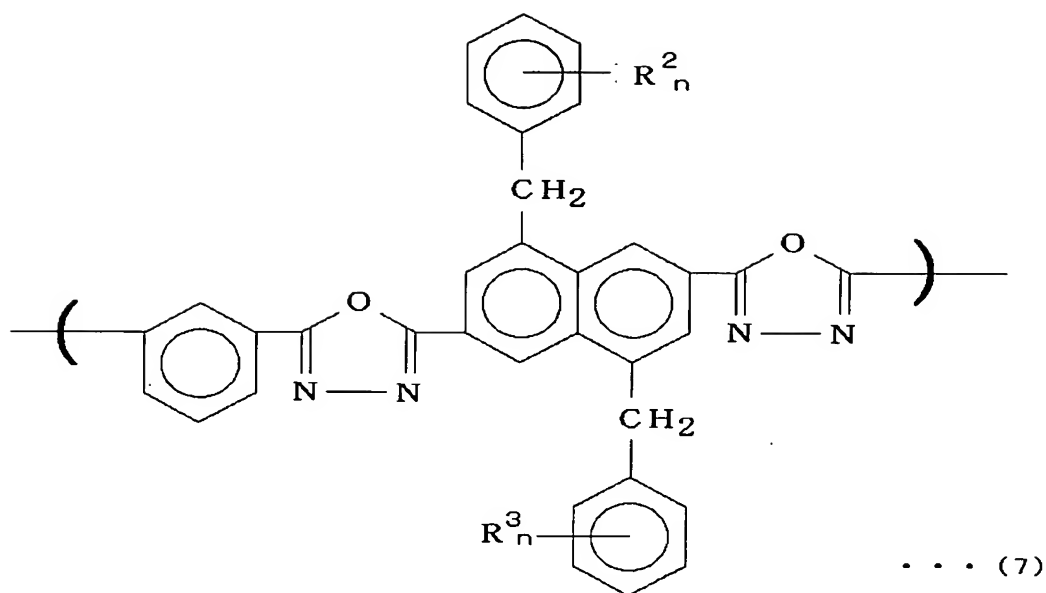
wherein each of the B_s is the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and B_s may be the same or different from each other; and

the group represented by the formula (6) is:



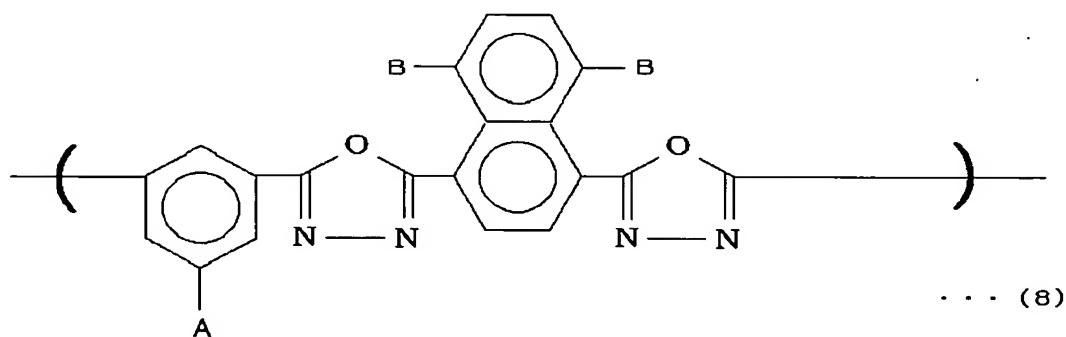
wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group, and n denotes an integer of 1 to 5.

2. Aluminiscent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (7):



wherein each of R^2 and R^3 is an alkyl group; n denotes an integer of 1-5; when n is 2, 3, 4 or 5, R^2 's may be the same or different from each other and R^3 's may be the same or different from each other; and R^2 (s) and R^3 (s) may be the same or different from each other.

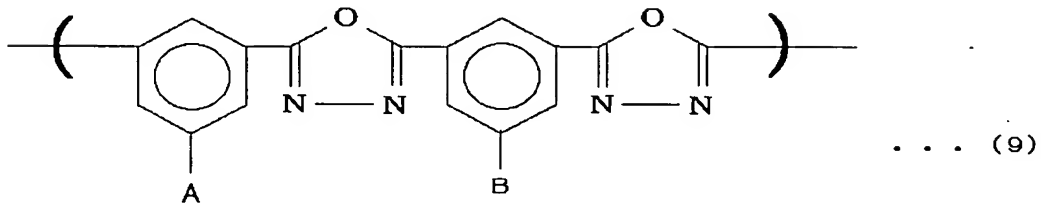
3. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (8):



wherein A and Bs in formula (8) respectively mean the same as

those defined in claim 1.

4. Aluminiscent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (9):



wherein A and Bs in formula (9) respectively mean the same as those defined in claim 1.

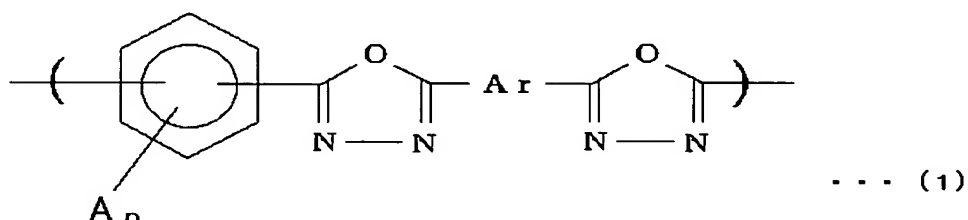
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6. A luminescent element comprising a pair of electrodes and a film of the luminescent polymer according to any one of claims 1-4 between the electrodes.

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1. A luminescent polymer having a repeating unit represented by formula (1):



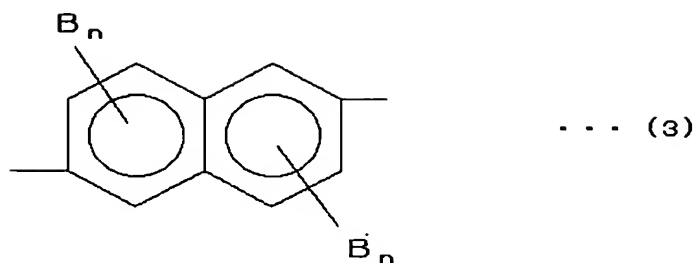
wherein Ar is a group represented by one of formulas (2) - (5);
A is -O-Ar¹, wherein Ar¹ is a group represented by formula (6);
 and n denotes an integer from 1 to 4, wherein A_s may be the same or different from each other when n is 2, 3, or 4;

wherein the group represented by formula (2) is:



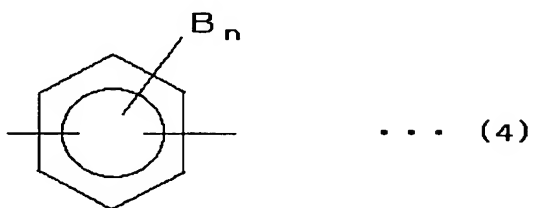
wherein B is -Y-Ar¹, -Y-R, or a hydrogen atom, wherein Y is a single bond or -O-, Ar¹ is the same as that defined above, and R is an alkyl group or an alkenyl group; n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and when n is 2, 3, or 4, B_s may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (3) is:



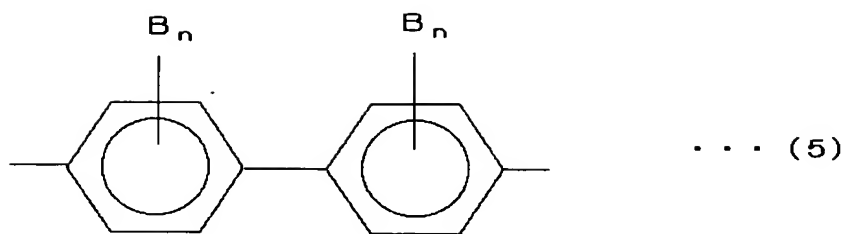
wherein each of the Bs in formula (3) is the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 3, and Bs may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (4) is:



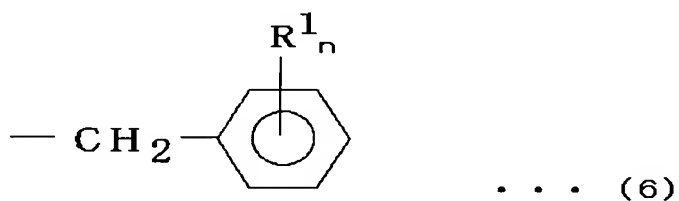
wherein B in formula (4) means the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and when n is 2, 3, or 4, Bs may be the same or different from each other;

the group represented by the formula (5) is:



wherein each of the Bs is the same as that defined above, n denotes an integer of 1 to 4, and Bs may be the same or different from each other; and

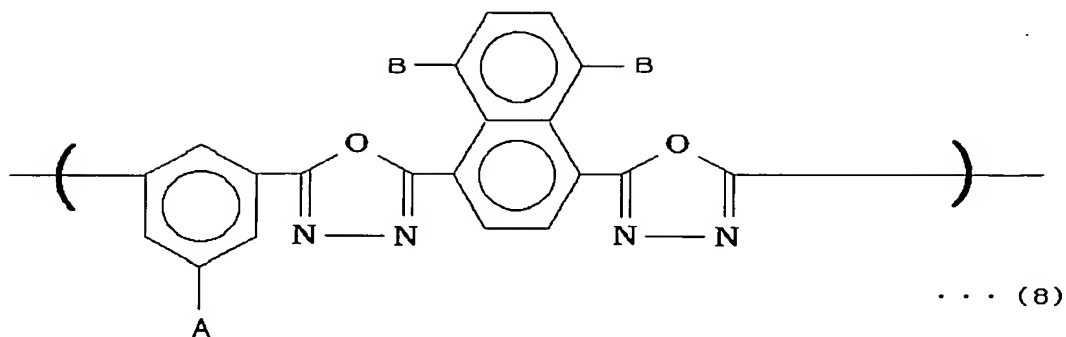
the group represented by the formula (6) is:



wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group, and n denotes an integer of 1 to 5.

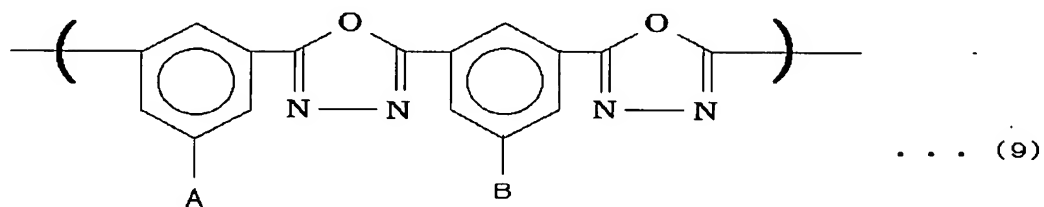
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wherein A and Bs in formula (8) respectively mean the same as those defined in claim 1.

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wherein A and Bs in formula (9) respectively mean the same as those defined in claim 1.

5. deleted.

6. A luminescent element comprising a pair of electrodes and a film of the luminescent polymer according to any one of claims 1, 3 and 4 between the electrodes.